

CHAPTER NO. 27

SENATE BILL NO. 1282

By Cooper, Rochelle, Ramsey

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1824

By Head, Kisber, Williams, Rinks, Ronnie Cole, Ford, Westmoreland, Towns, Curtiss, Bowers, Ronnie Davis, Whitson, Kent, Ralph Cole, Sands, Rhinehart, Lewis, Armstrong, Buttry, McKee, Phelan, Ferguson, Kernell, Arriola

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 65, Chapter 4, Part 1, relative to public utilities and carriers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:


SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-4-101(a), is amended by deleting the word "and" at the end of subdivision (7); by deleting the period at the end of subdivision (8) and substituting instead a semicolon and the word "and"; and by adding the following language as a new subdivision to be designated as follows:

(9) For purposes of §§ 65-5-201 and 65-5-203, "public utility" shall not include interexchange carriers. "Interexchange carriers" means companies, other than incumbent local exchange telephone companies, owning facilities in the state which consist of network elements and switches, or other communication transmission equipment used to carry voice, data, image, and video traffic across the LATA boundaries within Tennessee.


SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 19, 2001


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 22nd day of March 2001


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